Data Enhancement Effort

Update & Briefing
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Background

- Objective is to "raise the bar"

- 3 years of workgroup efforts

- Extensive internal/external training

- Letter to all LSPs on February 24, 2003:
  – Policies/CAM effective August 2003

Policies/Work Products

Method	Status
SW-846 Method 8270C	Final May 2003
SW-846 Method 8260B	Final May 2003
SW-846 Method 6010B	Final May 2003
SW-846 Method 7470/7471	Final May 2003
SW-846 7000 Series Methods	Final May 2003
SW-846 Method 8082	Final May 2003
SW-846 Method 8081A	Final May 2003

www.mass.gov/dep/bwsc/files/data/QAQCDocs.htm

Final Piece: "Field QA/QC" Guidance

WSC CAM VII-A

"Presumptive Certainty" Concept
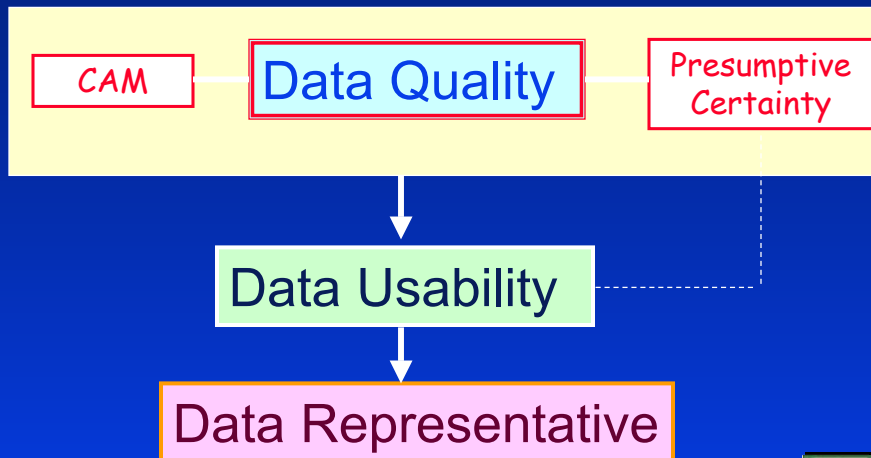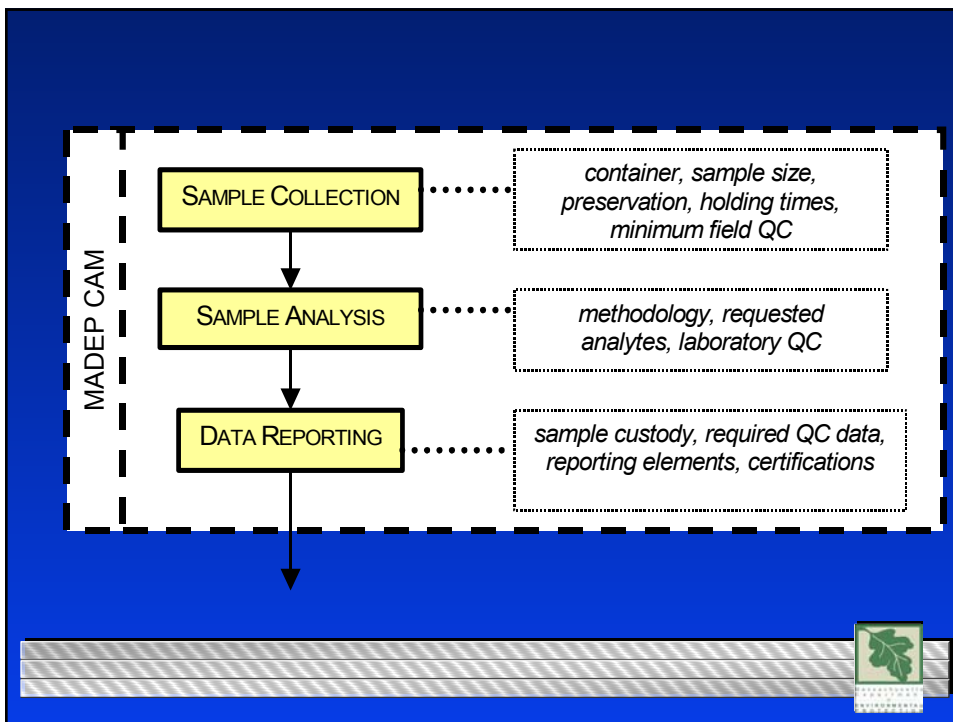
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Presumptive Certainty

- Optional

- One way of showing compliance with MCP requirements on Data Quality

- Assurance of DEP acceptance of Data Quality

Data Enhancement Model

| CAM | Data Quality | Presumptive Certainty |

Data Usability

Data Representative

Slide 1

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   MADEP CAM        │                                minimum field QC
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                    │  SAMPLE ANALYSIS    ········  methodology, requested
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                    │  DATA REPORTING     ········  sample custody, required QC data,
                    │                                reporting elements, certifications
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MADEP CAM	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	methodology, requested analytes, laboratory QC
	DATA REPORTING	sample custody, required QC data, reporting elements, certifications

Slide 2

A	Were all samples received by the laboratory in a condition consistent with that described on the Chain-of-Custody documentation for the data set?	Yes	No[1]
B	Were all QA/QC procedures required for the specified analytical method(s) included in this report followed, including the requirement to note and discuss in a narrative QC data that did not meet appropriate performance standards or guidelines?	Yes	No[1]
C	Does the analytical data included in this report meet all the requirements for "Presumptive Certainty", as described in Section 2.0 of the MADEP document CAM VII A, "Quality Assurance and Quality Control Guidelines for the Acquisition and Reporting of Analytical Data"?	Yes	No[1]

VOCs Req'mts for Presumptive Certainty

QC Element	Media		
	Soil/Sed	Aqueous	Drink H_2O
MS	No	No	No
Field Dupe	No	No	If >RL
Trip Blank	No	No	1/cooler

Last Minute Changes

Do NOT need to test for all analytes to achieve Presumptive Certainty

But… May be a data "representativeness" issue down the road

Do NOT need to meet all QC standards (e.g., surrogate stand) to achieve Presumptive Certainty

But… May be a data usability issue down the road

Next Steps

- Data Usability Guidance

- Data Representative Guidance

- MCP Wave 2 language requiring evaluation of data quality, usability, and representativeness issues